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SUBJECT: FRG VIEWS ON FOLLOW-ON TO NAC CONSULTATIONS ON
SALT

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1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTTEL, BELIEVE WE SHOULD MOVE IM-
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MEDIATELY TO PROPOSE NON-CIRCUMVENTION FALLBACK LANGUAGE.

PROPOSE THAT THIS BE DONE FIRST INFORMALLY WITH SEMENOV,

MAKING IT CLEAR THAT WE WILL TABLE THIS LANGUAGE ONLY IF

ASSURED IT WILL BE ACCEPTED AND ALSO MAKING CLEAR THAT THIS

IS WHERE WE STOP.

2. BELIEVE THAT, BASED ON HEADS OF DELEGATES' CONVERSA-

TIONS, SOVIET SIDE WILL ACCEPT FALLBACK. CONVINCED THEY
WILL ACCEPT NOTHING LESS THAN THIS.

3. FURTHER BELIEVE IT ESSENTIAL WE MOVE ON THIS AT ONCE
IN ORDER TO HELP PRODUCE MOVEMENT ON REMAINING ISSUES.
ALSO, FAILURE TO MAKE THE MOVE TOWARD WHICH OUR NEGOTIATING
TACTICS HAVE BEEN DIRECTED FOR THE PAST EIGHT MONTHS MAY
STIFFEN SOVIET POSITION AND TEND TOWARD LESS FAVORABLE
RESOLUTION OF ISSUE.

4. SUGGEST THAT FRG BE INFORMED WE ARE MOVING NOW TO
FALLBACK LANGUAGE AND WILL CONSULT WITH THEM ABOUT NATURE
OF EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR NATO AND CONGRESS.EARLE.
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